

## Up to the Minute SPORTING NEWS From Everywhere.

### PA ROURKE'S OMAHOGS LOOK LIKE THEY ARE SURE PENNANT COPPERS

#### Down-in-the-Mouth Savages Lost Both Ends of Double Bill to Krug Clan.

The Democrats may not carry Maine. Sarah Bernhardt may not make a dozen more farewell tours of the United States. And the war may not end in time for the Dutch to help us celebrate next Thanksgiving Day. But you can bet your last bean that when the umpires lay aside their masks after the final game on September 4 Pa Rourke's Omahogs will be in front in the Western League race unless a cyclone hits the hotel where they are stopping or a train that they are riding runs off the track and smashes up a half dozen of them.

No other Western league club, playing as the other clubs are playing, has much chance to check them. And, with an average run of luck, nothing this side of an unkind act of providence can keep the Krug clan from breezing under the wire with games to spare and give away.

It didn't require a periscope with a magnifying lens to discover the reason why Omaha looks like such a sure thing. No other club in the league has such an outfield; no other club has a better infield; not one has a pitching staff as strong; and, last but not least, no other club has a Marty Krug for its generalissimo.

Krug is more than a generalissimo—he is what a western Kansas breadwinner would call an expert laborer. He keeps the parts of his machine well oiled all the time, and if he allows any chaff to gum up the works it is so insistent that the outsider cannot detect it.

Easy Sailing Sunday.  
In Sunday's double bill, which the Rourke hogs at both ends, taking the first 15 to 1 and the second 10 to 8, there was little chance for them to show their real class because they did not have to exert themselves to win, but Krug showed some of his Teutonic efficiency tactics by having his pitchers and batters work hard, keeping his men on their toes even when there was not a chance to score and always having a fresh pitcher warmed and ready to take the firing line.

The first game was a run away for the league leaders and the Rourke hogs were left so far behind at the finish that it might be said they never got away from the post. "Rusty" Bill Lathrop, the Kansas City Blues pitcher, worked for the Rourke hogs, possibly he was correct to say they rubbed them over for the Rourke hogs—and the Rourke hogs found him pretty soft picking.

Support Was Poor.  
It might not have been altogether Lathrop's fault, but he certainly didn't look like a scorcher and he had the team blow him out of the water. He permitted enough runs to give the game away. In the first inning he allowed a single, a walk and a double and scored two runs in the second three singles and a double scored three more.

Lathrop apparently found his stride in the third inning and retired his opponents in order, but in the fourth everybody else went to the bad and three errors in a row put the Rourke hogs back on the field. "Rusty" Bill apparently did not give a continental cuss what happened to him. It would take considerable space to enumerate the doubles, singles, home runs and scores that the Omahogs made after the fourth inning, and as white paper is costly it will probably suffice to say that in all eighteen hits, two of them circuit clouts, gave the visitors fifteen runs.

The Only Topeka Run.  
The only run the Rourke hogs made came in the old lady's seventh when Cochran's single and Agler's double spoiled C. Thompson's shutout. Only on two other occasions did Omaha have more than three batters up in a single inning.

The second game was also won easily by Pa's primrose. He was punctured in the first inning by a home run and a real fight for it and this gave the fans a chance to generate a little enthusiasm and also washed away some of the taste left by the first bitter pill.

Bernie Doyle started the second contest on the mound for the locals, but in the first inning he was punctured for a pair, when, with two out and one on, Miller hit a homer. One more was made off of him in the second without a hit and in the third he was relieved after an error and two walks had filled the bases and he had forced in a run by knocking a button off Cy Forsythe's shirt. He then took up the task and fanned Mr. Kilduff with three fast ones, but Burg drove one to the flagpole for a homer, giving the Rourke hogs five scores on his hit. One more in the fourth and one in the sixth were all the Rourke hogs got, but they were enough. The game was saved by the seventh by agreement.

The Savages made their first counter of the second game in the initial inning, when Devore singled and Goodwin tripled. Agler's infield hit, Lathrop's double, Allen's sacrifice fly and Marshall's error netted two runs in the second. On the fifth turn Cochran's triple, Engle's and Kruger's singles and DeFate's second double hung up two more and in the sixth the Rourke hogs put forth their best effort of the afternoon.

Half beat out a punt and Devore forced him at second. Cochran then homered over the right field fence for a homer and Prince Gaskell was singled and North sent to the mound while the hungry fans yelled for scores. North walked Goodwin and Engle doubled. The horizon began to look gray and the fans broke the noise record of the season. Kruger hit a sacrifice fly that scored Goodwin. Agler drew a pass, but DeFate flew out. Thompson and the pig rally ended with two runs needed to tie the count. In the last round Engle sent in two pinch hitters, but they couldn't get on and after Devore had singled Cochran fanned for the third out and it was all over.

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Brooklyn	7	7	.500	90	85	18	10	7	7	.500
Boston	6	8	.429	85	80	20	10	6	8	.429
Washington	5	9	.357	80	75	22	10	5	9	.357
St. Paul	4	10	.286	75	70	25	10	4	10	.286
Cleveland	3	11	.214	70	65	28	10	3	11	.214
Indianapolis	2	12	.143	65	60	30	10	2	12	.143
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Boston	6	8	.429	85	80	20	10	6	8	.429
Washington	5	9	.357	80	75	22	10	5	9	.357
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U. P. LEAGUE GAMES.										
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Lincoln 5, St. Joe 4.										
Des Moines 3, Wichita 2.										
Denver 10, Sioux City 2.										

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St. Louis 2, Philadelphia 0.										
Cincinnati 9, Boston 0.										
Brooklyn 4, Philadelphia 0.										
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Cleveland 12, Philadelphia 3.										
St. Louis 1, Boston 4.										
Detroit 3, New York 2.										

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.										
Kansas City 5, Milwaukee 4.										
Indianapolis 6, St. Paul 3.										
Louisville 7, Toledo 0.										
St. Paul 19, Minneapolis 4.										

Cannon and Lindner Win.										
Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 7.—Jack Cannon of Kansas City and Al Lindner of Chicago won the Missouri state tennis title in doubles on the courts of the Kansas City Club field here. Lindner, Walter Newell and Dixie Teasdale of Kansas City, 4-6, 3-6, 6-1, 6-1, 6-2.										

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Saffell Wins Two Hit Game.										
The Ideal Bakery team defeated the Rourke hogs at Lawrence by the score of 11 to 2. Saffell, the Ideal star pitcher, struck out seventeen men and allowed only two hits.										

PA'S FAITH IN O'TOOLE COSTS HIM A ROUND BEAN										
Marty O'Toole seems to have been born for the purpose of costing baseball managers money. You remember he once cost a manager \$22,500. Well, he is still at his old tricks. When the crowd was on him Saturday, Pa Rourke, became entangled in an argument, Pa trying to tell how good O'Toole was and "Pete" taking the other end.										

"I'll bet you a dollar he will," Pa replied.										
"I'll take the bet," said Pete. And just a few minutes later O'Toole walked three men in a row and was shoed to the shower, Prince Gaskell taking his place on the mound.										

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# FOOD FOR FANS

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Officer, He's in Again!

Beat, beat, beat  
On the boiling asphalt street!  
I would like to say tongue out  
What I think of you, O heat!

O, well for the Eskimo  
As he rolls in the snow and ice,  
If you ask him, "Is it hot enough?"  
He will say, "It is very nice."

O, well for the sailor lad  
As he sings in his boat on the bay!  
If I had a boat and an ocean breeze  
I would sing through the liveliest day.

And the stately ships sail out  
On your risk and my heat,  
But O for a whiff of a lake breeze  
And the swish of a lake that is still!

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Switzerland is slated to take up the vac-  
cant territory in earnest from now on.  
A's leg will wear up under the strain  
will be able to handle the situation.

The fans seem to be pretty unanim-  
ous in their opinion that Eddie Monroe  
Manager Knauer's one weakness but  
they do not miss many opportunities  
express their opinion about the matter.

Outfielder Smith, who is being given  
careful over and over by the ac-  
tion of the N. Y. Yankees, turned his  
sliding into second base in the first  
of Sunday's game, and in the second  
game leg, he played a pretty aw-  
ful game.

It is understood that Pa Bourke is  
demanding \$5,000 in cold, hard cash for  
his services as gardener. He says that  
the league is worth this amount his as  
is Smith.

Those who have been holding to the op-  
inion that Kidder is the shabbiest  
of the Western league had a chance to  
him up against real opposition Sunday  
and if he had anything on Tony Brea-  
st, he would have shown it.